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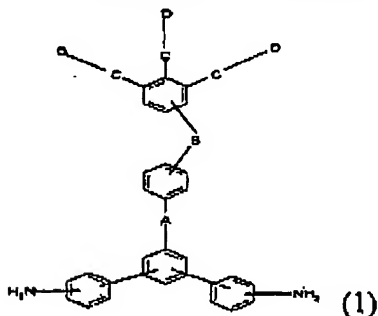
IN THE CLAIMS

Amendments To The Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Original) A diamine compound represented by Formula 1 below:



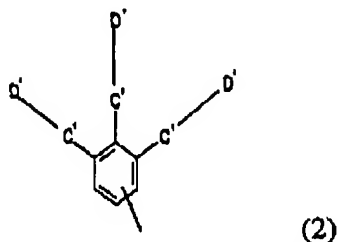
wherein

A is a single bond, -O-, -COO-, -CONH-, or -OCO-;

B is a single bond, -O-, -COO-, -CONH-, or -OCO-;

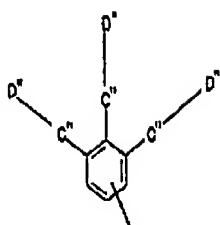
the substituents C are independently a single bond, -O-, -COO-, -CONH-, or -OCO-; and

the substituents D are independently a C₁₋₂₀ linear, branched or cyclic alkyl group which may be substituted with at least one halogen atom, or a functional group represented by Formula 2 below:



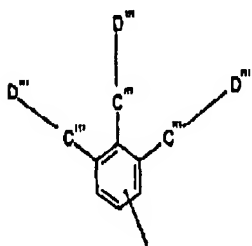
wherein the substituents C' are independently -O-, -COO-, -CONH-, or -OCO-; and

the substituents D' are independently a C₁₋₂₀ linear, branched or cyclic alkyl group, or a functional group represented by Formula 3 below:



(3)

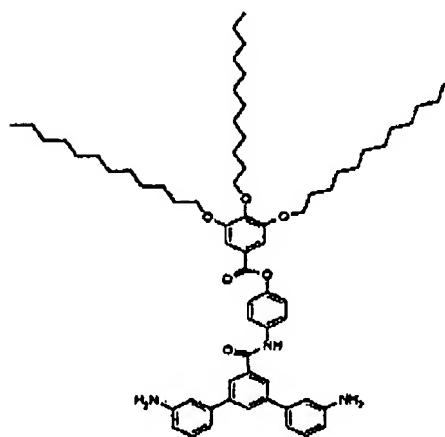
wherein the substituents C'' are independently -O-, -COO-, -CONH-, or -OCO-; and the substituents D'' are independently a C₁₋₂₀ linear, branched or cyclic alkyl group, or a functional group represented by Formula 4 below:



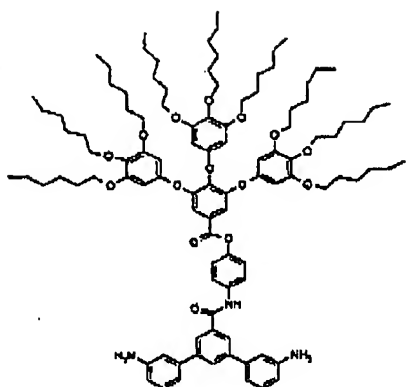
(4)

wherein the substituents C''' are independently -O-, -COO-, -CONH-, or -OCO-; and the substituents D''' are independently a C₁₋₂₀ linear, branched or cyclic alkyl group.

2. (Original) The diamine compound according to claim 1, wherein the diamine compound is a compound represented by Formula 5 or 6 below:



(5)



(6)

3. (Original) A polyamic acid prepared by copolymerizing the diamine compound according to claim 1, an alicyclic dianhydride, an aromatic cyclic dianhydride, and optionally, an aromatic cyclic diamine and/or a siloxane-based diamine.
4. (Original) The polyamic acid according to claim 3, wherein the diamine compound according to claim 1 is present in an amount of 0.1~100 mole%, and the aromatic cyclic diamine and the siloxane-based diamine are present in an amount of 0~99.9 mole%, based on the total amount of the diamine monomers.
5. (Original) The polyamic acid according to claim 3, wherein the aromatic cyclic dianhydride is present in an amount of 10~95 mole%, and the alicyclic dianhydride is present in an amount of 5~90 mole%, based on the total amount of the dianhydride monomers.
6. (Original) The polyamic acid according to claim 3, wherein the polyamic acid has a number-average molecular weight of 10,000 to 500,000 g/mol.
7. (Original) A soluble polyimide prepared by wholly or partially imidizing the polyamic acid according to claim 3.
8. (Original) A mixture of the polyamic acid according to claim 3 and the soluble polyimide according to claim 7.

9. (Original) A liquid crystal alignment film produced by dissolving the polyamic acid according to claim 3, the soluble polyimide according to claim 7 or the mixture according to claim 8 in a solvent, coating the solution on a substrate, and wholly or partially imidizing the coated solution.

10. (Original) A liquid crystal display device comprising the liquid crystal alignment film according to claim 9.